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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

FOREIGN.-It was announced that a detachment of United States marines would be sent to Peking to guard the syndicate representing four of the powers placed a first instalment of \$224,000 to the credit of the Chinase to the credit of the Chinese government in Peking. — The Mexican rebel General Rojas, dynamited the vaults of the National Bank of Mexico at Juarez and took possession of 20,000 pesos. — Owing to the British strike, coal was received at Suez from Norfolk, Va., for the use of liners passing through the canal. — Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, it is in London, started a "hunger" in jail in London, started a "hunger strike," refusing all food till liberated. 1899, announced his intention of resign-

DOMESTIC .- President Taft, speaking increase in wages, involving 125,000 employes, was granted by New England textile mills; the American Woolen Company raised its offer to the Law-A dispatch from Wilkesminers. the Republican organization of the 26th common dropping \$7 and pre-8. === Two railroads and six companies were indicted at lumber companies were indiced Grand Rapids, Mich., for violating so-called transit privileges; they are the

The Roosevelt city committee filed with the Board of Elections the list of candidates for delegates to the Repui lican National Convention. — Mrs. H. L. Bloodgood was committed to the Riverview Sanatorium after an examina-Commission for permission to purchase the stock of the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg Railroad. — The Countess of Warwick arrived on the Mauretania. — It was learned that the anthracite operators would word their re-fusal of the miners' demands in such a way as to leave an opening for a new proposition. —— The second day's ses-sion of the New York State Association of Spiritualists was held in the Temple tion.

of Modern Spiritualism. — Marcus M.

Marks, in an address at the Republican Club on the Lawrence strike, urged the passage of a conciliation law, like that in Canada, providing for the investigaof labor troubles before and not after the declaring of strikes.

THE WEATHER .- Indications for today: Fair. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 45 degrees; lowest, 34.

AN ADMIRABLE ANSWER. In his Toledo speech President Taft

Roosevelt's Columbus address-the re- Sea and for her captain. Significant call of judicial decisions which rest and praiseworthy, too, is the entire abupon disputed interpretations of state sence of reference of any kind to rival constitutions. As was to be expected, expeditions, or to the one rival expedition the President condemns the recall of of Captain Scott, even at the expense of they would be forever closed they will judicial decisions of the sort indicated leaving the world unenlightened as to as vigorously as he had already condemned the proposed recall of judges whose opinions do not happen to suit traces of Captain Scott there would have a majority of the voters who put them in office.

Mr. Taft's long training as a lawyer

grasp on the fundamental principles on which our American conceptions of liberty are based, and perhaps the most important of those conceptions is that silence was the course of prudence. of fixed constitutional restraints on the impulse of a temporary majority to work its will at the expense of a minority to which guarantees have been given of security in the enjoyment of life, liberty and property. It was the notion of the founders of the Republic, accepted by its leading statesmen and jurists, that real liberty can be maintained only by the operation of a system of checks on rash popular action, and to that ideal of restraint, order and

deliberation in governmental action Mr. Taft loyally adheres.

The President justly says that the recall of judicial decisions is a "reactionary" proposal, because it involves a departure from the system of checks and balances to which the nation has become accustomed, and will inevitably open the way to confusion and tyranny. The recall of specific judicial decisions, as he points out, will lead to popular judgments turning not so much upon the constitutional points at issue as upon the material interest of persons, organizations or classes to be affected by the verdict. Every decision subjected to the recall would be a decision in a particular lawsuit, and the people would be prompted to vote not on the merits of the interpretation but on the merits of the suit, regardless of the question of constitutionality. Under such a judicial system the general principles would soon be lost sight of, and instead of amending the Constitution so as to cover an entire range of cases we should fall into the demoralizing habit

the requirements of individual instances.

make the process of constitutional processes of preparation and execution, amendment much easier than it ought to be. We have been taught-to think been creditable in an exceptional degree. that constitutional revision should be so hedged about as to insure sufficient delay and deliberation. An amendment must be considered and approved voted, destroying one of the basic guar- lic Service Commissioner will be more antees of Anglo-Saxon liberty. Mr. Taft than a flash in the pan. Too few Demoexpresses the feeling of every friend of cratic Senators believe that the confirprogress yoked with order when he thus mation of Herbert P. Bissell, Governor deprecates the rash suggestion that the Dix's nominee whom Murphy opposes, constitutions of the states be made sub- would be unadulterated good for the ject to hurried popular amendment, de- state. Too small a percentage of the tail by detail:

and ought to make progress in the shaping of governmental action to secure greater equality of opportunity, to destroy the wide advantage of progress in the public support, therefore I agree that we are making progress destroy the undue advantage of special privilege and of accumulated capital, and to remove obstructions to the pursuit of Murphy on this issue that existed for human harmings. human happiness; and in working out these difficult problems we may possibly have, from time to time, to limit or narrow the breadth of constitutional guarantees in respect of property by revolt against the arbitrary exercise of

But if we do it, let us do it deliberately, understanding what we are doing, and with full consideration and clear weighing of what we are giving up of private right for the general welfare. Let us do it under circumstances which shall make the operation of the change uniform and just, and not depend on the feverish, uncertain and unstable determination of successive votes on different change majorism. laws by temporary and changing majori-

That is a position which the country will sustain, because it is sound, courageouş and truly American.

A TEST WOULD BE WELCOME. It is reported that some of the nominating petitions filed by non-organization candidates for national delegates in the Congress districts of Manhattan are sub-'ject to criticism, in that a certain percentage of the names on them are not those of qualified signers. While there is good reason for observing the intent of the law to require a petition to represent King George laid the foundation the wishes of at least 5 per cent of the stone for the new palace of the London enrolled Republicans of a district would be regrettable if any of these petitions, valid in the main, should be thrown out on triffing technicalities. All the advantages in naming candidates for national delegates and party committeemen are with the regular organization. An Petitioners are handicapped by being put in the attitude of outsiders and by being required to go to the expense of preparing nomination papers. In the inrence strikers, but the latter did not ac- ferest of comity and equality within the Barre stated the coal operators in the anthracite fields of Pennsylvania were constructing stockades around their licans they are entitled to a fair chance party the way of the petitioners ought properties in anticipation of a strike of to express their opinions and preferences Six men lost their at the coming primary.

McNamara brothers, would be placed on trial May 14, charged with bribing jurors in the dynamiting case. — The police The force in the business district of Newport, R. I. was doubled as the result of the killing of an artilleryman by a patrolwas made to the party nominations. It would be a mis
| A patrol| A patrol| A projection was made to the party nominations. It would be a mis| A patrol| A patrol| A patrol| A patrol| A patrol| Patr Rilling of an artilleryman by a patrolman. —— Application was made to the
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the first intimation that he was or had ever
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the Republican overwheather of their privileges in the first primary under the new law, should en- ago. As for Ruskin, with his hatred of Congress District. — There was a big counter any unnecessary obstruction on phalt Company on the Philadelphia Exelection officials.

comed by all believers in the principle of of that virgin prok. called transit privileges; they are the comed by all believers in the principle of first prosecutions of the kind undertaken direct nominations. It will be welcome

of the rank and file. will be helped everywhere else, because perhaps two exceptions the highest in the majority of the Republican voters are behind him in nearly every section of the to more than 17,000 feet on the slopes country. Nothing would be more dashing to the hopes of his opponents than a direct test of strength all along the line. The result of such a test in this city will be enlightening. The more complete it is the better it will suit those who are supporting the President for renomina-

THE VIKING OF THE SOUTH.

Captain Amundsen's personal narrative, cabled from the antipodes and published here by "The New York Times." is necessarily concise, almost to meagreness; but it is equally straightforward and modest. He tells of his doings, not of himself. There is no touch of sentiment or of purple snows. The nominative is "we," not "I." The one irremet squarely and effectively the issue pressible outburst of praise is for the recently thrust into politics by Colonel ship which bore him to the shore of Ross whether he met with any traces thereof. Had he reported that he had seen no been danger of at least involuntary exultation over having outstripped him in the poleward race. Had he reported meeting and a judge has given him a firm him or finding him there would have been danger of a suspicion of misreport-

> announcement. In such circumstances It is interesting that a descendant of the vikings should have won this great ship as a common carrier has not made honor. Through centuries the Norsemen of various branches have achieved progress. To it also are to be attributed some of the most noteworthy feats of adventure, discovery and exploration. It was a Norwegian who first led Europeans across the Atlantic to North America. Juries. Aeroplane critics have contended It was a Dane who discovered the American continent from Asia by crossing the Pacific. It was a Swede, or more truly would the airship as a commercial transa Finn, who first circumnavigated Asia through the Arctic Sea. It was a Norwegian who sailed a Norwegian ship to ditional knowledge, have pointed the way the furthest point north ever reached by to betterment of air craft; but it is also such a vessel, and now it is another Nor- true that the deaths which have brought wegian who takes the same ship furthest about such information are not more south, and still another who thence pushes on to the actual Antarctic Pole. life has ensued because of foolhardiness The sagas of Eric and Olaf and the Volsungs contain no more thrilling and ro-

> actual achievements by that heroic race. forced, it would seem, by the coal strike mere gratification of the passion of what than an ill wind blows some good somea German newspaper calls "daredevil where. Henri Salvey, a French flying mankind" to reach the ultimate goal. It man, was in London when called to Paris was a not unworthy work simply to on urgent business. Channel steamers reach the pole, and it is quite true that were not plying on account of the shortto do so was Captain Amundsen's prime object. Yet it is clear, even from the must have sat in his hotel room and brief narrative already published, that geographical and other scientific results of great interest and of practical value have been secured. It will be observed the scarcity of black diamonds and that Sir Ernest Shackleton, than whom caring only that the supply of gasolene there is no more competent authority, in his generous discussion of Captain

to the culmination in final success, has

SIGNS OF PROMISE.

It seems almost too much to hope that stance of the naming of an upstate Pubpublic believes that anything good can come out of Dix or Murphy to bother Democrats who would have to make the fight this year labor under the disadvantage of having contributed in many ways, by their personal and official acts, to make the hold of Murphy on the Democratic machine in this state practically unbreakable. The delicate and diplo matic way in which they begin proceedings by sending envoys to Murphy to acquaint him with their views is a sufficient indication of his power.

However, as a sign the Bissell case is bound to present encouragement to the lover of his fellow men. It is encouraging, for instance, that a few Democrats can realize to the extent of making protest the spirit-crushing, disgraceful bondage in which Murphy and his sub-bosses hold them, even though that protest be futile in immediate practical results. It is encouraging that Governor Dix, after months of subservience to Murphy, has developed a backbone and is willing to defy the boss, even though the Executive's power and the boss's can only neutralize each other and leave a barren victory for either. The state has reason to feel grateful, under the Dix-Murphy regime, for small favors. If the Governor and the boss can only continue thus to kill each other off they will be entitled at the coming election to a certificate of the state's gratitude in the shape of relief from all further official responsibilities.

ALL ABOARD FOR THE JUNG-FRAU!"

It is perhaps best, for their own comfort, that Tourgenieff and Ruskin are dead, now that a railroad has been built

Yet the thing is done. After fifteen also to all supporters of President Taft, years of work a railroad is now in opera-CITY.—Stocks were steady. —— Because of the supposed insanity of the senior member of the firm, the Wall street house of Connor & Co. assigned. Since it will put at rest the foolish control tion to within 2.311 feet of the summit tention that the Taft managers are street house of Connor & Co. assigned. Since it will put at rest the foolish control to within 2.311 feet of the summit tention that the Taft managers are street house of Connor & Co. assigned. Since it will put at rest the foolish control to within 2.311 feet of the summit tention that the Taft managers are street house of Connor & Co. assigned. Since it will put at rest the foolish control to within 2.311 feet of the summit tention that the Taft managers are street house of Connor & Co. assigned. Since it will put at rest the foolish control to within 2.311 feet of the summit tention that the Taft managers are street house of Connor & Co. assigned. very top, so that any one, without of the rank and file.

The contrary is the case. Mr. Taft's climbing a step, will be able to make the ascent of 13.669 feet. It will be the for delegates in this city and state, as it will be helped everywhere else, because two exceptions the highest in the contrary is the case. Mr. Taft's climbing a step, will be able to make the ascent of 13.669 feet. It will be the highest railroad in Europe, and with highest railroad in Europe, and with perhaps two exceptions the highest in you had the other."—Philadelphia Record. the world, two in South America rising of the Andes. In consequence of this achievement the plans for a railroad up the Matterhorn, which a few years ago were laid aside in deference to popular protests, have been revived, and it is not

improbable that they will be executed. It is easy to understand how strongly the sentiment of some men revolts against such enterprises, which seem to them profanation of Nature's holiest shrines. The conductor's cry of "All aboard for the top of the Jungfrau!" will doubtless seem to them like sacrilege. And, of course, it would be possible to vulgarize and distigure those noble heights. On the other hand, it should be possible to operate the Jungfrau railroad and lifts with decorum and proprie ty, so as not to degrade the mountain but rather both mentally and spiritually -as well as physically-to elevate the visitors. There is no scenery in the world too noble to be seen by all men, and if these Alpine railroads result in opening those glorious panoramas to thousands of eyes to which otherwise perform a service which we may hope will not be unnecessarily marred with sordidness and vulgarity of detail.

AIRSHIP SANITY.

The chief fault found with air flying by man up to the present time has been the tendency on the part of the aviator ing or of trying to anticipate his rival's to perform circus stunts. Instead of seeking scientific stability his mind has been filled with daring dips and spiral glides. In consequence of this the airmuch headway in spite of its rapid total of one hundred and eighteen deaths in the last four years, with countless cases of maiming and minor infrom the start that so long as spectacular effects were sought just so long porting agent be a failure. It is true, of course, that deaths have resulted in adthan ten, and that the further loss of or "stunt turning."

Comes now a cable dispatch calling mantic tales than these true records of attention to a logical use of the airship, Nor is this latest achievement the in Great Britain. In such wise is it age of coal. Salvey, who in past times cooled his ardor, made ready his monoplane, turned it in the direction of France, and soared away unhampered by remain untampered with. Formerly the Channel flight was made in sections. of suspending the Constitution to fit Amundsen's performance reckons the Now, however, aviation has surmounted

When the craft is thus used in a common sense way as a carrier of man from one point to another, flying assumes a character of sober sanity instead of be- she remained unmarried until the end of ing in the nature of a perilous pastime. Such a performance as was M. Salvey's gottations preserved England from French advances the art of the birdman by greater degrees than a hundred deaths prepare for the victory over Spain in 1588, caused by a fondness for flying foolishly.

Amundsen seems to have been too busy travelling to and from the South Pole to notice the purple "snow patches" which fascinated the æsthetic fancy of a noted observer of the approaches to the North Pole.

"Wuxtree! Wuxtree! Terribul sensation! Colombia didn't invite Secretary Taxation as a Means of Precipitating Knox to visit her!" But then, neither did any other country; nor was any invitation solicited or expected from any. So let us have peace.

The confirmatory election of officers of the German Reichstag retains a Radical as Speaker, but drops the Social Demopower by "the organization." And the crat Vice-Speaker and substitutes a National Liberal. That may restore amicable relations between the Reichstag and the Imperial Palace, but it will intensify the grievances of the Social Democrats and will probably make the Conservatives more disgruntled than ever.

> It is doubtful which are the more frequent and numerous, the complaints that there are far too many theatres in New York or the proposals for the building of new ones.

Announcement is made that a "kissing gallery," otherwise termed a "Romeo and Juliet room," is to be constructed at the Grand Central Station for the convenience of travellers. Any mere corporation which thus undertakes to segregate and regulate affection's displays ing of service one to another. seems to be inviting trouble needlessly. Those Niagara County fruit growers

petition Adjutant General Verbeck not to send the Fourth Brigade into the fruit belt in August for manœuvres must have a very realistic conception of the horrors There really is no peril of a casus belli

in the report that some family compact of the Braganzas debars an American woman from becoming Queen of Portugal, for there are other much more important and formidable obstacles than significant improvements. The same is that to any woman's ever again attaining that distinction. The Lushanian republic may not be an iridescent and scintillating success, but it is far ahead of the late unlamented monarchy.

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

The order issued by Adjutant General Ver-I was a reporter on a New York paper and mountains, it can be imagined how his tinguished recruits for Lafayette Post, G. A test of party sentiment such as the matchless marshalling of epithets would A. R., he told me about Depew's colonelcy, primary here will furnish will be wel- have stormed against such profanation vintage of '73. I thought it a good story and wrote what would make a couple of sticks full,' but the city editor turned it down. 'Some day that'll be worth a colsaid. I told you so, but my chief of those tive use? In other words, why not tax land

HARD AT WORK. For those suffragette fairles, Who lately ran wild, Performing vagaries, Like any spoilt child, John Bull has invented A capital plan-He'll make them contented

And useful to man. So his windows they're rubbing, Not breaking, perforce-And in washing and scrubbing They're taking a course.

If he adds one more wrinkle, And teaches to bake, Then, to quote Rip Van Winkle, "Vot vives dey would make!" G. B. M

"I expect to be rich some day."
"That so? Somebody likely to leave you "That's it exactly. You don't suppose spect to earn a fortune, do you?"—Detro Free Press.

The moving picture as an educator ha had many successful trials, says the 'Politische Korrespondenz" (Berlin), and in proof of the assertion refers to the pictures on sanitation, natural history, anatomy, etc. The latest step in that direction was made recently by Dr. Ludwig Münch, of Darmstadt, who employed the motion picture to demonstrate mathematical problems, "and by this means enabled those students who were unable to grasp the questions and methods of solution in their original form to thoroughly understand the work."

Caddie (to golfer badly bunkered and op-ponent well on the green)—Don't give up the hole, sir. You never know, the other gentleman might have a fit.—Black and White.

Felix Schweighofer, the German comedian who died recently, left an estate valued at 1,000,000 marks, and commenting on the dress for the sake of the men. extraordinary fact one of his biographers says: "He was a model citizen as well as a great actor. As a citizen he was content to be one of the great majority and had no ambition to be one of the 'grand' class. He was thrifty, but his purse was was not like many gifted and consequently popular actors who have their regular court, their flatterers, press agents and even scientific helpers. They live in splendor and in the glory which they purchase They enjoy their lives not so thoroughly as did Schweighofer; but what remains when their curtain has descended is not often a million."

Blobbs—Do you think Miss Antique would appreciate a birthday present?
Slobbs—Not so much as a birthday absent.—Philadelphia Record.

DIPLOMATIC WEAPONS

Arbitration Treaties and the Method of Good Queen Bess. To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: The recent action of the Senate i imagined in many quarters. Consider his-

Queen Elizabeth negotiated for some twenty years with the French royal family for a marriage between herself and the raised difficulties, objected to her royal lover's pock-marked visage, spoke of differences of religion, disparity of age and masses, is for justice, which has surmounted ferences of religion, disparity of age and masses, is for justice, which has requirements of individual instances. geographical results of it to be "of the difficulties, and Salvey not only made of D'Alençon's inconvenient nearness in the lingly right."

B. F. Moreover, the President shows that highest importance." The entire advent. his flight from London to Issy-les-Mouli-line of succession to the crown of France. Lincolnton, N. C., March 7, 1912.

the recall of judicial decisions would ure, from its inception through all its neaux, but made the distance of about she encouraged his addresses by bidding him to England, sometimes secretly, sometimes accretly, sometimes accretly accretion and sometimes accretion. times openly; lent him money-much money-and on one occasion kissed him on the mouth in Whitehall in the presence of a score of courtiers. As every one knows, her days, and during all this time the neattack and enabled the island kingdom to one of the great events of the world.

May I suggest that arbitration treaties are excellent things to talk about, to draft, to negotiate, but not to pass? If Elizabeth had married D'Alençon she would have lost one of her greatest diplomatic weapons New York, March 9, 1912. F. M. H.

UNOCCUPIED LAND

Good Things.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Connected with the discussion of city planning, one often notices suggestions in

favor of restrictions upon the kind of use made of lands abutting upon public streets. significant of a tendency to enlarge upon a not very important phase of the relation General and Mrs. Wood, the Assistant Secof the people to the use of city or suburban retary of War and Mrs. Robert Shaw Olllands. Now, it is all very fine for homeowners and others to object to improvements not so high class as theirs, to factories or stables; for some with resthetic tastes to feel that government should control the shape or style or color of buildmakeshift methods in building upon or imbe how to get city and suburban lands into forgiven those who actively use land they hold, since human prosperity must necessarily closely depend upon the freedom with which access can be had to lands and the briskness with which locations are used, not only in the primary processes, but also in manufacture, exchange and the render-I live on the main street in our country

town, near two railroads, one trolley passing my door and others connecting within who induced the county supervisors to a few minutes' walk. Adjoining, or very near me, are acres upon acres of lands not used at all. My office in New York is on a main avenue, within a few minutes' walk of the new Pennsylvania station. Adjoining and near the building containing my office are vacant lots and numbers of buildings which should be torn down and replaced with more adequate improvements. In the boroughs of New York City, it is said, 35 per cent of the parcels of property assessed are unimproved, and probably another third of the parcels have only intrue of all the territory near the metropolis, and probably of every urban and suburban district in the United States.

The Englishman who said that the three essentials in city planning are the public wellheing, economy and beauty, rightly enough placed beauty last and the well-

being of the people first. If city planning should include and emphasize the consideration of the extent to which lands are actively used-if this consideration is really the most important one in the whole problem-what can we in the city and suburbs do to suggest methods for bringing about the desired results? We cannot, as Peter Van Stuyvesant is said to have done, by public proclamation call upon landholders to build and improve or take the consequences involved in an ennual fine of so much per cent. But we ought to do something to increase the use of lands-to increase employment, business profits, savings, comfort-those things which should distinguish populous centres What real objection can there be to our trying the plan of using taxation as a means of encouraging the production and accumulation of good things, and discourumn, I said, and yesterday I might have aging the withholding of locations from acvalues more and labor-made values less?

GEORGE WHITE. Hackensack, N. J., March 7, 1912.

FIFTH AVENUE SHOCKS.

To the Editor of The Tribune. One would not suppose that on as be on Fifth avenue who did not have to be there, but there were several, I am sure, who could have remained at home if they wished. I walked through a mile of it, and while spring costumes were not much in tained to-night, Mrs. Richard H. Townsend evidence, others were. For instance, a young woman of twenty, pretty, and wearing a leopard skin wrap down to her white spats. Spotted? Well, rather; not only in her apparel, but by every one who passed her. She wore a turban of the same, and if she were not a speckled beauty then my eyesight failed me.

Two blocks further down an even more startling costume showed up, on a tall, slim shape, built on the spaghetti model. Her wide hat was a greenish-brown and she wore a wrap of white fur reaching to an indefinite point about the knees. This was thick and stood pretty well out from her person, and from its bottom to a point immediately above her shoes a white, lacey sort of double skirt fluttered in the breeze, looking more like an embroidery continuation of the wrap than a real skirt. But it was a skirt. The shoes and stockings matched the rest of the outfit. The sight gave me a nervous shock, because the suddenness of it made me think there was a botany, fire in the neighborhood and the lady was escaping in her night fixings-that is to say, if they wear fur nighties. This figure attracted more attention than the other,

because it glared so like a snowdrift. A little further along there was one all in brown-brown cloth and velvet, brown furs and a brown hat built with a due sense of proportion. Oh, she was a dream; a symphony in brown; a rest for tired eyes, and one could scarcely believe that she belonged to the same species as the others. Yet she did, for they were all women, and each one had a man with her, and the men of the other two did not seem to notice it any more than the man with And yet they say the women the one.

Speaking of men, I also observed a batch of the style of large silk hats with small men under them-small men who went so far up into their large hats that to the casual observer they looked like hats walking. I heard several women remarking never closed against the needy and what that it was about the best display of hats he did for them was done in secrecy. He they had seen on the avenue in some time. OBSERVER.

> New York, March 9, 1912. DIVINATION.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Editors and so-called political leaders and officeseekers may write and say what they please in advocacy of Taft and to the detriment of Roosevelt, but if all the states in the Union were permitted to hold direct primaries Roosevelt would be the Republican party's nominee for the Presidency in 1912. The people, the mass of the Republican and independent voters not the insincere politicians, who are always figuring for place-are for Roosevelt. It cannot be successfully denied that some

of the decisions of the courts ought to be recalled by the people. You have only to call up in your mind many decisions, from the Dred Scott case on down to the presmodifying the arbitration treaties may ent, to see that some decisions are a travprove not to be so great a misfortune as is esty on justice. In the case just named the only thing worth reading in it is use of the crews, who usually average the dissenting opinion of Justice Curtis- from four to forty men and boys. Freexcept, perhaps, as a means of satisfying quently the voyages last a hundred days curiosity, the bundle of sophistry Chief or more Justice Taney packed into this decision. Due d'Alençon, brother to the King cf France. Elizabeth dallied, procrastinated, you have read? And, lo! what of the lower, The Seamen's Friend Society, however, is masses, is for justice, which is "everlastingly right."

B. F. GRIGG.
Lincolnton, N. C., March 7, 1912.

Control States doing the work and the control of city money, but depends on the general public for support.

People and Social Incidents

Mattis.

THE CABINET.

Washington, March 9.-The Secretary of the Navy was the guest of honor and a speaker at the dinner given to-night to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the battle between the Merrimac and the Monitor, the Society of Naval Engineers of America being the hosts.

York. Mrs. Wickersham entertained a number of young people at a tea this afternoon in York, who were the guests over night of honor of her house guest, Miss Almy, of the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Lawrence, Long Island. MacVeagh, have returned to their home.

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

[From The Tribune Bureau Washington, March 9.-The Austrian Ambassador and first secretary, Count Ivan Csekonics, returned to-day from a visit to Panama, Jamaica, Cuba and other southern points.

The French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand entertained at dinner to-night the Turkish Ambassador, the Minister from day evening, at the Hotel Astor, under the Norway and Mme. Bryn, the Chilian Minister and Señora de Suarez, the Minister from Uruguay and Señora de Pena. Major Mrs. Douglas Robinson and Mrs. Pinchet. ver, Brigadier General and Mrs. Wotherspoon, Mrs. John B. Henderson, Mme. Christian Hauge, Mrs. Julian James, John

The Italian Ambassador and Marchioness ings, and even for editors to contend that Cusani and their daughter, Donna Beatrice we need more comprehensive plans and less Cusani, entertained at dinner to-night in compliment to Miss Taft. Their other proving lands; but, first things should be guests were the Postmaster General, Miss first, and the really important problem may Anderson, Miss Julia Meyer, Miss Alice Meyer, Miss Hildegarde Nagel, Miss Lipactive and productive use. Much may be pitt, Miss Southerland, Miss Eudora Clover, Miss Marion Oliver, Miss Julia Whiting, Miss Martha Bowers, Miss Elizabeth Reid Rogers, Mr. Stauffer, Major Winship, Mr. Richardson, J. C. White, William Bowie Mrs. Robert R. Livingston and Mrs. Clark, Frank H. Ellis, Mr. Freyre y San- Charles W. Bowring are among the patrontander, of the Peruvian Legation; Count In those processes of production involved Ivan Csekonics, Austrian first secretary; secretary; Marquis de Constantin and Mr. Rosso and Mr. Ceccato, of the Italian Embassy.

The Russian military attaché and Baroluncheon

returned to-day from New York.

No. 4 Stone street, New York. Señor Don Filipe Aninat, recently appointed Chilian first secretary, to succeed

Señor Don Antonio B. Agacio, has arrived in Washington. Sefior Don Ricardo Arias, the new minister from Panama, who presented his cre-

legation there. The British Ambassador is confined to the embassy by a slight indisposition and had to send his regrets to Mrs. William F. Wednesday for Europe, while Mr. and o-night.

The Danish Minister and Countess Moltke eturned to Washington to-day from Palm Gould goes West on Friday. Beach, where they stopped on the way from Panama.

The German second secretary and Mme. Kienlin entertained at dinner to-night the counsellor of the Austrian Embassy and Mme. von Loewenthal Linau, Mrs. J. D. McLachlan, Miss Laura Merriam, Miss Elsie Aldrich and Commander Retzmann, naval attaché, and Baron Hardenbroeck and Mr. von Bülow, of the German Embassy staff.

IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY. [From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, March 9 .- One of the larg- oren. est dinner parties entertained to-night was that given in honor of the British Ambassador and Mrs. Bryce, with Mrs. William F. Draper as hostess. Her other guests were the Russian Ambassador and Mme. Pakhmeteff, the Russian Minister and Europe yesterday morning. The dinner Señora de Riano, Senator Aldrich, Senator Miss Gauthered sixty. The artists were Bacon, Senator Brandegee, Mrs. Robert Mc-Cormick, Mrs. Robert W. Patterson, Mrs. Marshall Field, the French naval attache English and French songs and a duet with and Viscountess Benoist d'Azy, pay director Edmond Clement, from "Romeo and Juliet." and Mrs. Lawrence Heap, Mr. and Mrs. old a day as last Sunday any one would Richard Reid Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Barrington Moore, Miss Margaret Draper, General Crozier, Count de la Chabannas and Mr. de Bach, of the Russian Embassy.

A number of dinner parties were enterand Mr. and Mrs. Medill McCormick being among the hosts.

Mrs. Leonard Wood was the guest of onor at a luncheon to-day, with Mrs. W.

H. Bixby as hostess. Mrs. Wickersham was the guest of honor

at a luncheon of twenty-five to-day, when Mrs. Mann's other guests were Mrs. Beekman Winthrop, Mrs. T. De Witt Talmage. Mr. and Mrs. Augustus I Mrs. William P. Biddle, Mrs. Fairchild, Mrs. gone to St. Augustine, Fla.

Mrs. James R. Mann was hostess. Among town from Miami, Fla.

Mrs. Henry S. Redmond has returned to

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus D. Juilliard have

Leaves Millions to Sisters.

TUFTS NOT YET APPOINTED FURNISS WILL FILED

Wouldn't Surprise Amherst. Chicago, March 9.—Professor James H. Fufts, of the department of philosophy of the presidency of Amherst College.

Professor James H. Tufts had been selected as the next president of Amherst College could not be confirmed by President | who is eighty years old, George Harris, the present head of the institution, to-day. In the early winter Pres- Indian merchant prince." There is now ident Harris sent his resignation to the trustees of the college, the resignation to to compel an accounting from his daughbecome effective after the 1912 commence- ters. The father died in 1871, and there has ment. A committee of three members of the beard of trustees was appointed to choose a successor to President Harris, Livingston Furniss, a playwright and nicce and, it was said at the college to-day, if of the three beneficiaries of the estate; ber Professor Tufts has been chosen it will not occasion any surprise.

Mass., fifty years ago, and was graduated the large estate. from Amherst College in 1884 and from the Yale divinity school later.

New Haven, March 9 .- Professor Williston Walker, of Yale University, who is secretary of the board of trustees of Amherst College, to-day stated that the presidency of Amherst had been offered to no one.

special board appointed to select a president of Amherst College, said here yesterday that there is no truth in the report that Professor James A. Tufts, of the University of Chicago, had been selected for the position. "The board will not meet for any light on the situation. She appointed a month yet," said Mr. Plympton, "and no her sisters executrices of her will and gave one has been selected. When a choice is made announcement will be made in due personal estate left by her. The value of course."

Seamen's Friend Society Doing Good Work for American Sailors. One branch of the American Seamen

Friend Society's philanthropic work is the installing of travelling or loan libraries on board merchant marine ships and sailing vessels. The society's libraries, numbering forty-three volumes, are designed for the

The Navy Department provides an ex interior, local decisions, with packed juries? the only philanthropic organization in the Roosevelt, like the majority of the United States doing this work for Ameri-

mantle of charity. Perhaps the most notable of them all will be the affair known as patronage of Mrs. Payne Whitney, Mrs. M. It is for the benefit of St. Mark's Hospital. and will comprise a series of musical tableaus, in which Miss Mildred Townsend will do the most of the singing, while the belyedere of the hotel will be so transformed as to represent a bit of Quartier Latin life, with its boulevard cates, its students, its garçons, its grisettes, and last, but not least, its sergeants-de-villethat is to say, its policemen. It promises to be a gay affair.

John W. Weeks, Mrs. Theodore W. Noyes,

Mrs. Oscar Underwood, Mrs. Rayner, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Foss, Mrs. Danforth and Miss

Mrs. Robert Hinckley and Mrs. Albridge

Representative and Mrs. Ayres, of New

Mr. and Mrs. William Loeb, fr., of New

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

Much of the week now opening will be de-

voted to the celebration of Mi-Careme, the

festivities, however, taking place under the

York, have as house guests for several

days Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Marion, of Nav

Jordan entertained at luncheon to-day,

Sherry's will be the scene, on the following evening, of a mid-Lent carnival, in the form of a vaudeville show and fancy dress dance, in aid of the West Side Juvenile Club. Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, Mrs. Charles Steele, Mrs. Frank S. Witherbee, esses, and the men engaged in organizing the affair include Howland S. Davies, Frederick and Tracy Hoppin and William M Beekman. Then on Friday comes the cafe chantant

entertainment at the Plaza, in aid of the ness Elizabeth de Bode entertained at Chapin Home for the Aged and Infirm. an institution which recently moved from Captain Vassilleff, Russian navai attaché, the city to a model new home at Jamaica, Long Island. The performance will The Guatemalan Minister has gone on sist of a farce and fancy dances, the Coleave of absence, and Senor Dr. Don Ramon lumbia University Glee and Mandolin Club Bengoechea is chargé d'affaires in his ab- also figuring on the programme. Supper sence. The legation has been established at will be followed by an informal dance, On Tuesday afternoon a sale for the

benefit of the Kips Bay Day Nursery will take place at Mrs. Robert S. Brewster's house, No. 100 East 70th street. Mrs. William G. Borland is president of the institution, and she will be assisted on Tuesday by Miss Dolly La Montagne, Miss dentials in January, has taken No. 1750 Cornella Chapin, Miss Esther Auchincloss Massachusetts avenue and established the and Miss Charlotte Wyeth. Leaving town this week are Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, who sail on

Draper, with whom he was to have dined Mrs. H. Forbes McCreery go abroad on Saturday. Miss Ruth Stillman is off to California on Tuesday, and Miss Helen M. On the other hand, Miss Alice Gouverneur Kortwright returns from Palm Beach

the day after to-morrow, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Egerton Webb, with Miss Laura Webb, on Friday, while Mrs. Herbert Parsons is due here with a party of friends from Panama on Saturday. Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, Mrs. W. A. M. Burden and a number of other well

known women have taken boxes for the "Durbar in Kinemacolor" entertainment, which takes place to-morrow afternoon at o'clock at the Hotel Plaza, for the benefit of the Darrach Home for Crippled Chil-Mrs. Bradley Martin, ir., gave a dinner, followed by a musical, last night, at her house in East 87th street, for her sister,

Mrs. Frederick E. Guest, who arrived from and Miss Ada Sassoli. Miss Farrar sang M. Clement was heard in old and new French songs.

Among those who sailed for Bermuda yesterday on board the Arcadian were Mr. and Mrs. J. Borden Harriman; their daughter, Miss Ethel Harriman; Mrs. Benjamin Nicoll, Miss Elsie Nicoll, Mr. and Mrs. George L. McAlpin and Miss Dorothy and Miss Gladys McAlpin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pulitzer will return to town from Colorado on March 20.

His Selection as College Head Daughter of "Merchant Prince"

The will of Miss Sophia R. C. Furniss. who died on February H, at the age of he University of Chicago, according to re- ninety years, was filed yesterday in the ports received here to-day has been offered Surrogate's office, the testatrix leaving her one-third life share in the \$40,000,000 estate of her father, William Ponsonby Furniss, Amherst, Mass., March 2.—The report that to her two sisters, Miss Clementina Furniss, seventy-five years old, and Mrs. Margaret E. Furniss Zimmerman, a widow,

Mr. Furniss was known as "the West pending in the Surrogate's Court an action been no accounting in thirty-three years. The action has been brought by Miss Grace brother, William Ponsonby Furniss, 2d, and the latter's son, Clinton Challet Furniss, Professor Tufts was born at Monson, These three have a reversionary interest in

A motion has also been made to have the Surrogate appoint a trustee to take the place of Miss Sophia R. C. Furniss, who was the trustee for her two sisters of their share in the estate. The sisters always took the position that they were the only ones who had a residuary interest, and therefore no accounting was necessary. George Arthur Plympton, chairman of the The persons who will eventually have interests in the estate made friendly inquiry as to the standing of the estate, and brought about the estrangement between

The will of Miss Furniss did not throw them power to dispose of all the real and her share was not shown by the will, the petition filed with the instrument bearing the formal statement that the real property MERCHANT MARINE LIBRARIES and the personal estate were each valued

ARTIST TO DEMONSTRATE THEORY Abbot H. Thayer, an artist, will give a

brief outdoor demonstration in defence of his theory of protective coloration in animals at the American Museum of Natural History, 77th street and Central Park West. to-morrow at II a. m. Mr. Thayer has been in dispute with the natuaralists on this sub-

Honolulu, March 9. - The cruiser West

Virginia sailed for the Bremerton Navy Yard to-day with Rear Admiral Chauncey Thomas (retired) a passenger. The West Virginia has been detached from the Pacific fleet and will be placed in the Pacific re-serve squadron. She is due to arrive at

ject. All interested are invited to attend. ADMIRAL HOMEWARD BOUND.

Bremerton about March 15.